MINUTES OF THE 56th BOARD MEETING (SPECIAL MEETING) OF THE GOA STATE POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD HELD ON 20/11/2003 AT 3.30 P.M. IN THE BOARDS CONFERENCE HALL

I. The 56th meeting (Special meeting) of the Goa State Pollution Control Board was held in the Conference hall of the Goa State Pollution Control Board on 20/11/2003 at 3.30 pm.

The following members attended the meeting:-

- 1. Dr. L.U. Joshi, Chairman
- 2. Dr. N.P.S. Varde, Director, S.T.E.
- 3. Shri P.P. Borkar, Principal Chief Engineer, P.W.D.
- 4. Dr. Arvind Salelkar, Director, Health Services
- 5. Shri B.B. Bhingui, Director, Mines
- 6. Shri Ashok Naik, Chairperson, Panjim Municipal Council
- 7. Mrs. Kamilini Paiguinkar, Chairperson, Margao Municipal Council
- 8. Ms. Zinia S. Dias do Rosario, Zilla Parishad Member
- Shri Nitin Kunkolienkar, President, Goa Chamber of Commerce & Industry
- 10. Shri Tulio de Souza, Architect
- 11. Shri Sandeep Jacques, Managing Director, Goa Industrial Dev. Corpn.
- 12. Shri Suryanarayana Chary Member Secretary

Shri Ranjan Sahu, Regional Controller of Mines, Indian Bureau of Mines and Mr. P.J. Kamat, Executive Engineer, Works Division, II, Water Resource Department were Special Invites for the meeting.

Shri S.S. Prabhudessai, Chief Inspector, Factories and Boilers and Shri Pramod Shetye, Managing Director, Goa Tourism Dev. Corpn. expressed their inability to attend the meeting.

Ms. Nilima Naik, Zilla Parishad Member, Ms. Kunda Chodankar, Vice President Zilla Parishad (North) and Shri Atul Pai Kane, Rep. of Goa Small Industries Assocn. did not attend the meeting.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 1

APPLICATION OF M/s BADRUDDIN H. MAVANI, MARGAO, FOR PERMISSION TO DISCHARGE RAIN WATER IN KUSHAWATI RIVER FROM THE MINING PIT AT CAUREM, COLOMBO VILLAGE IN SANGUEM TALUKA.

The Board deliberated this issue at length and also examined some plans submitted by the applicant. As the matter is very sensitive, the Board decided that, reports of Competent Authorities, such as Indian Bureau of Mines, Water Resource Department and Member Secretary, Goa State Pollution Control Board be obtained.

A suitable decision is to conveyed to the applicant, soon after examination of the detailed report by the members of the Board in a Special meeting of the Board to be held immediately.

AGENDA ITEM No. 2

APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION AS RE-PROCESSOR/ RE-CYCLER WITH ENVIRONMENTALLY SOUND MANAGEMENT FACILITIES OF M/s SUNRISE ZINC LTD. AT CUNCOLIM INDUSTRIAL ESTATE

The Board members examined the unique case of M/s Sunrise Zinc Ltd. (SZL) The Board members also noted with concern the site observations made by the Chairman, wherein it was noted that the unit is using leachate of the said land-fill site, which is collected in the leacheate pit. The unit has not taken any permission for the said re-use, as also there is a strong possibility of contamination of ground water due to accidental leakage and or seepage of the same.

SZL inspite of repeated reminders, on several occasions requesting them to detoxify and solidify the hazardous solid waste generated during their process have failed to take concrete steps to treat and dispose off in an environmentally sound manner.

The Board members decided that, if SZL does not abide by the Consent/Authorisation conditions stipulated by Goa State Pollution Control Board, the unit should not be allowed to operate in the present conditions.

The Board members also stated that the application of SZL for reprocessing should only be considered if the unit abides in toto, the conditions laid down in Consent / Authorisation conditions.

A report in this regard is to be prepared by the office of Goa State Pollution Control Board to be placed before the Board members in its forthcoming Special meeting of the Board. It is likely that, inspite of repeated warnings if SZL does not comply with the conditions stipulated, the Board will be compelled to close down the unit.

II. The meeting ended with thanks to the Chair.

(Suryanarayàna Chary) Member Secretary

Panaji, 21st November, 2003.

(Dr. L.U. Joshi) Chairman

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